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CROP REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 15

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY

Open weather returned allowing farmers the best week thus far this fall for field work, according to the Indiana Agricultural Statistics Service. Corn harvest is 5 days ahead of average, but one week behind last year's pace. Lodging in corn fields remains the major concern for farmers. Soybean harvest is 1 day behind average and 7 days behind a year ago at this time. Major activities during the week included harvesting corn and soybeans, hauling grain, seeding winter wheat, tilling soils, chopping stalks, applying fertilizer and care of livestock.

FIELD CROPS REPORT

Fifty percent of the corn acreage is **harvested** compared with 66 percent last year and 39 percent for the 5-year average. By region, 48 percent of the corn acreage is harvested in the north, 49 percent in the central region and 55 percent in the south. **Moisture** content of harvested corn is averaging 19 percent.

Ninety-eight percent of the soybean acreage is reported as **mature** compared with 99 percent a year ago and 94 percent for the average. Sixty-five percent of the soybean acreage is **harvested** compared with 79 percent last year and 69 percent for the average. By region, 77 percent of the soybean acreage is harvested in the north, 66 percent in the central region and 44 percent in the south. **Moisture** content of harvested soybeans is averaging 12 percent.

Forty-six percent of the **winter wheat** acreage is **seeded** compared with 60 percent last year and 56 percent for the average. Ten percent of the winter wheat acreage is **emerged** compared with 24 percent last year and 22 percent for the 5-year average.

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE REPORT

Pasture condition is rated 16 percent excellent, 56 percent good, 23 percent fair, 4 percent poor and 1 percent very poor. Pasture remains in good condition for this time of the year. Fall calving is winding down. Livestock are mostly in good condition around the state.

CROP PROGRESS TABLE

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Avg
Percent				
Corn Harvested	50	33	66	39
Soybeans Mature	98	90	99	94
Soybeans Harvested	65	44	79	69
Winter Wheat Seeded	46	28	60	56
Winter Wheat Emerged	10	4	24	22

CROP CONDITION TABLE

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Percent					
Pasture	1	4	23	56	16

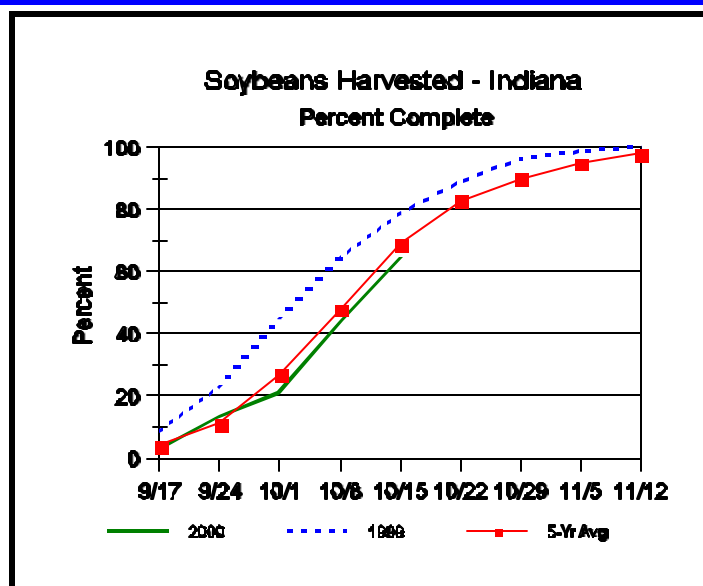
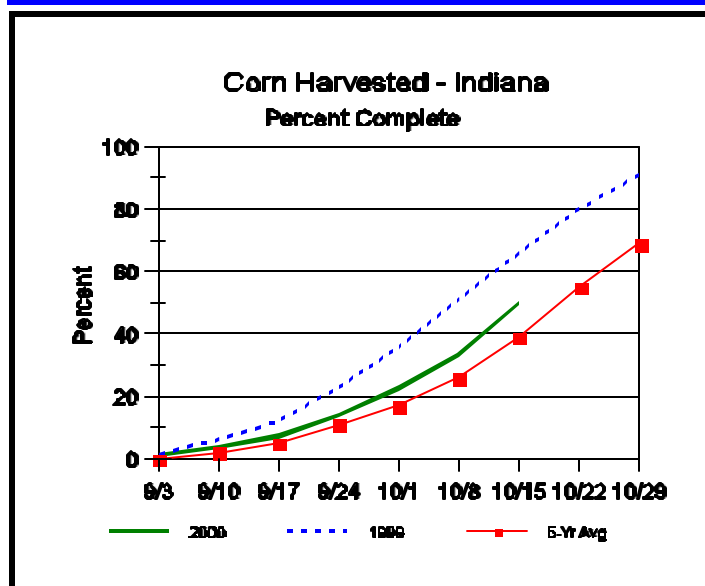
SOIL MOISTURE & DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK TABLE

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
Percent			
Topsoil			
Very Short	0	0	9
Short	8	2	35
Adequate	78	55	56
Surplus	14	43	0
Subsoil			
Very Short	6	3	31
Short	16	12	47
Adequate	66	68	22
Surplus	12	17	0
Days Suitable	6.1	4.3	4.6

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Crop Progress



Other Agricultural Comments And News

PRELIMINARY DISTRICT ESTIMATES OCTOBER 2000

District	Planted Acres		Harvested Acres		Yield		Production	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
	<u>Thousands</u>		<u>Thousands</u>		<u>Bushels</u>		<u>Thousand Bushels</u>	
	Corn							
NW	918	905	906	887	142	144	128,302	127,325
NC	769	760	743	730	124	149	92,392	108,452
NE	574	560	549	535	114	133	62,687	70,890
WC	707	695	698	685	141	153	98,708	104,517
C	1,215	1,190	1,202	1,173	141	164	168,855	191,928
EC	460	455	450	440	137	154	61,674	67,577
SW	765	755	750	740	130	153	97,356	112,909
SC	197	185	186	175	99	145	18,403	25,296
SE	195	195	186	185	108	158	20,063	29,156
State	5,800	5,700	5,670	5,550	132	151	748,440	838,050
	Soybeans							
NW	772	785	767	780	42	46	32,224	35,722
NC	667	685	663	680	41	48	27,108	32,526
NE	623	635	619	630	36	41	22,190	25,647
WC	684	700	679	695	42	47	28,248	32,537
C	1,202	1,230	1,193	1,220	42	49	49,917	59,598
EC	536	535	532	532	38	48	20,002	25,447
SW	692	695	683	690	34	43	23,533	29,494
SC	188	195	185	194	30	45	5,520	8,687
SE	236	240	229	239	34	45	7,708	10,702
State	5,600	5,700	5,550	5,660	39	46	216,450	260,360

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Weather Information Table

Week ending Sunday October 15, 2000

Station	Past Week Weather Summary Data							Accumulation				
	Air				Precip.		Avg	April 1, 2000 thru				
	Temperature				Total		4 in	October 15, 2000				
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total	Days	Soil Temp	Precipitation	DFN	Days	Total	DFN
Northwest (1)												
Valparaiso_Ag	76	31	55	+1	0.05	2		26.68	+1.05	84	2879	-7
Wanatah	78	28	51	-3	0.32	2	54	27.38	+2.75	77	2720	-24
Wheatfield	77	28	53	+0	0.30	3		25.75	+1.96	64	2941	+141
Winamac	76	28	51	-3	0.22	3	52	24.65	+0.95	70	2859	-29
North Central (2)												
Logansport	77	31	51	-3	0.26	2		26.63	+3.60	76	2956	-31
Plymouth	76	33	52	-3	0.10	2		27.55	+3.11	81	2733	-307
South_Bend	76	33	53	-1	0.18	3		23.92	+0.16	82	2844	-5
Young_America	79	31	53	-1	0.53	1		24.53	+1.50	70	3032	+45
Northeast (3)												
Bluffton	78	34	52	-3	0.40	1	52	26.27	+3.65	77	2949	-128
Fort_Wayne	78	35	54	+0	0.21	1		27.33	+6.26	72	2935	-57
West Central (4)												
Crawfordsville	79	24	50	-6	0.25	1	54	27.73	+3.06	67	2861	-348
Perrysville	77	28	52	-4	0.41	1	55	25.65	+0.88	73	3114	-31
Terre_Haute_Ag	78	28	52	-4	0.16	1	56	35.41	+10.40	74	3567	+207
W_Lafayette_6NW	79	26	53	-2	0.34	1	50	21.80	-1.57	76	3094	+115
Central (5)												
Castleton	77	32	52	-5	0.17	2		33.66	+9.73	87	3118	-204
Greenfield	77	32	52	-4	0.06	1		32.73	+7.17	78	3142	-59
Greensburg	78	32	53	-3	0.02	1		32.61	+7.75	82	3258	+141
Indianapolis_AP	76	30	53	-4	0.04	1		28.51	+5.16	68	3344	+17
Indianapolis_SE	76	32	51	-5	0.00	0		31.29	+7.36	70	3068	-254
Tipton_Ag	78	32	51	-2	0.24	1	53	26.83	+2.86	72	2780	-104
East Central (6)												
Farmland	76	32	52	-2	0.10	1	49	31.66	+8.58	76	2863	+51
New_Castle	75	31	50	-4	0.00	0		29.70	+5.21	71	2567	-317
Southwest (7)												
Dubois_Ag	79	30	52	-5	0.00	0	56	29.22	+2.28	76	3549	+146
Evansville	80	29	53	-6	0.00	0		25.84	+2.16	71	3843	-22
Freelandville	80	30	52	-5	0.01	1		33.57	+8.93	63	3465	-7
Shoals	80	27	50	-7	0.00	0		33.29	+6.69	74	3308	-58
Vincennes_5NE	83	29	53	-4	0.02	1	51	35.96	+11.44	71	3516	+44
South Central (8)												
Bloomington	78	36	60	+4	0.07	1		33.13	+8.29	66	3176	-244
Tell_City	80	30	53	-6	0.00	0		28.50	+1.58	61	3757	+13
Southeast (9)												
Scottsburg	80	29	51	-6	0.00	0		34.42	+9.09	67	3478	+21

DFN = Departure From Normal (Using 1961-90 Normals Period).

GDD = Growing Degree Days.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.

Precipitation Days = Days with precipitation of 0.01 inch or more.

Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit.

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	<i>Wheat</i>							
NW	19	28	18	26	69	71	1,236	1,864
NC	41	53	40	48	72	73	2,867	3,504
NE	94	95	90	89	71	71	6,419	6,316
WC	44	46	42	40	65	80	2,744	3,200
C	73	77	70	75	75	77	5,230	5,774
EC	39	43	37	41	76	65	2,815	2,665
SW	178	144	164	139	58	61	9,462	8,477
SC	32	26	26	20	58	60	1,504	1,200
SE	30	38	23	32	60	69	1,383	2,208
State	550	550	510	510	66	69	33,660	35,190

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